

Following the example of "Mad" we are printing a series of "Mad Y'OX." See opposite panel. All contributions gratefully received.

As part of our change of format we intend using a new-look heading for "Woroni." We have therefore decided to run

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a competition amongst students for the design of this heading. Entries close with the Editor on 22nd March, 1961.

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"Are you sure it was all right to bring me to this party?"

Orientation week well organised

Welcome to Freshers

About 200 students attended the welcome to freshers on the Monday afternoon of Orientation Week. Some 70 part-timers attended another welcome, held that evening to make it more convenient to attend.

Professor H. Burton and Mr. Peter Ryan each delivered an address welcoming new students.

In the course of his speech, Professor Burton said that he felt almost obliged to apologize to students for the lack of student facilities. However, he reminded the assembly that lecture rooms would be made available for club meetings and also that within the next three years a Students' Union building would be erected.

He referred to the "rather sombre fact" that the University could not allow students who failed to make satisfactory progress to continue with their courses indefinitely. However, the new University policy was by no means ironclad and where really bad luck could account for unsatisfactory progress, a student so hampered could expect to receive a sympathetic hearing.

turning out graduates who had had merely a bread-and-butter education in a very narrow field.

If Universities are not going to descend to being mere degree shops, the Students' Association within them needs to be strong and active. Whether or not they are so, he said, depended entirely on the students themselves.

Mr. Ryan spoke of the Students' Association's role in the University. He said that nowadays the latitude of University education was in danger from specialised, widely separated faculties

Mr. W. P. Packard, Warden of the new Hall of Residence, addressed the part-timers at the evening welcome. The part-time student, he said, had a very big task ahead of him if he was to get the full advantage of attending University.



Every Fresher who has attended the Orientation Week functions will know who Julian Hartley is. But in case they know nothing about him, let us tell them something.

Hartley was at last year's Orientation Week. He was a newcomer to the University but not a new student. With a background of Sydney University, Paul's College and two years of Medicine—he is probably more qualified to conduct Orientation Week than most people would be. Now a Science student, he has nearly finished his degree. Regardless of all, he is always active in student affairs. Recently co-opted to the S.R.C., he is

more than worthy of the office. Became known largely because of his many sterling performances in last year's Revue — amongst which was an amusing impersonation of Professor Manning Clark. Julian is one of the few students who is pulling his weight in student affairs. His conduct of Orientation Week has been exciting, enthusiastic and, I hope, exemplary.

"BIG DADDY"

The President of the S.R.C. is the highest position within the Students Association that a student can hold.

The President is P. K. E. Ryan, Esquire. He is easily recognisable — a middle aged man, slightly greying and with an air of experience. But to put the Fresher into the picture let the truth be told and no facts withheld. Peter is a full-time student, a Commonwealth scholar and in his final year of Law. He is a lot younger than he looks and drives a machine that is nominally a Singer and goes rather well. During his term of office Peter has quietly and efficiently done his very best for the interests of this col-

lege. He has put up a very good show against a divided and often hostile S.R.C. He has finally gained its co-operation and as a result has been able to achieve a great deal. Never during his term of office has his support of Woroni faltered. He defied a split vote to cast his support of an honarium for the Editor at a general meeting. He has had constant and successful liaison at all times with the administration. There are very few of us who will not say that he is a good bloke.

OASIS

Canberra, 3rd March.—Canberra hotelkeepers have ordered increased supplies as from Monday. They say that the influx of students to the Canberra University is expected to send beer sales soaring.

However, they see a complication in that the number of male freshers this year is far in excess of the number of pint glasses available at the Hotel Civic.

Mr. Hatcher, it is felt, will overcome this problem somehow or other.

THE LAST WORD

Most old hands would last week have noticed an absence from our ranks. Christine will no longer be with us. To those who know her no surname is needed. In a Uni full of part-timers and apathetic students—Christine came like a breath of wind. She did give some aura of the Arts student as depicted by today's journalists and we feel that she will have no trouble fitting in at Melbourne University.

Shades of the past fade quickly together—that box of volumes in the S.R.C. room has gone—to Melbourne where Mike was last heard of living in Miss Tregear's bathtub.

"When I was a student I never bothered to study before September because I would forget it all before the exams. Then in September my attitude changed. Anything I would learn between then and the end of October wasn't worth learning" — overheard of a member of staff.

SOCIAL COLUMN

Canberra will soon welcome a distinguished visitor.



About Alastair Davidson

The new Editor is Alastair Davidson. Recently returned from tours of New Zealand and Australia Alastair spent a great deal of time some years back in Fiji.

He is often referred to as "Jeremy's big brother." But to those who know him, Alastair is a man unto himself. A keen Law student, he also plays a good game of football and as a schoolboy was a champion swimmer.

As "Heretic," Alastair made an impression on world student journalism by his article in Woroni last year "Some Misconceptions of Australian Universities."

Living in a flat and being a full-timer Alastair hopes this year to become a fuller man, embrace the Arts and make his world in many ways a corner of Bohemia. His only worry is that the visiting hours of the Hall of Residence with somewhat limit his scope.

CLASSIFIED ADVERT
Commencement Ball, April 7th. Get your tickets now. 35/- each. Dress optional.
The post of Returning Officer for the annual S.R.C. elections is now open to applicants. Apply to S.R.C.

Entertaining Results

Free love is on the wane

The Government, with charming vulgarity, attempted to allay the fears of all morally minded people. They attempted to show that with present social freedom the renegade "Free Love" had no cause to exist.

Those intellectuals of the twenties, said Frazer, had cause to rebel. This is not the case to-day. Given a society where the numerous restrictions of the past are removed, the want for sexual debauchery fades. Upon this moral basis the government rested, exhausted.

With unusual inefficiency the opposition set out to show that it was a fallacy to suppose that the hey day of free love was long past.

Farmyard aspects

Egyptian polygamy, it was claimed, had farmyard aspects, and Grecian homosexuality suffered also from the intensity of its practice. Banal delight usurped the sacredness of the thought. Thus free love existed not then but now.

Perhaps not so obvious to both teams was the fact that free love as a doctrine has never existed. It seems that in the flush of explaining the mechanical details of free love, the physical and emotional satisfaction derived, and the significance of the union, the teams were asleep to the fact that no-one is prepared to practice what is preached. It would seem to be far too strenuous a devotion.

University - a degree shop

Part of the programme for Orientation Week was a lunch-time debate on Friday, the point of contention being "Is the University a degree shop?" Mr. Nosworthy as Chairman kept some semblance of order by threatening heckler Gleeson with physical violence and issuing a prohibition on all remarks (except his own) which were not clever.

S.R.C. President Ryan opened for the affirmative argument, pointing out that the lack of amenities for non-studious activities at the School of General Studies, as well as the large proportion of part-timers, precluded everything but a degree shop.

Meanwhile, at the table's end, debater Clark managed to raise a hair-weighted head above the level of his outstretched no. 9's to make unsporting comments.

"The University is not a degree shop," said opposition leader Davies; to prove his point, he added, "If I get out of here with a degree, it won't be the only thing I take with me." There was also talk of mutual stimulation.

Mr. Leslie, summing up the last speaker's effort in one word "bull," informed the audience that he could not tell them "what you are here for." But by repeated enquiries of "what are you here for?" the meeting was assured that the point had been proved.

To Bob Reece the question was "as obvious as saying that a girls' school should not be a brothel." His perambulations around the common room, accompanied by paternal advice to awed freshers and declar-

ations about the University being a place for maturing earned the debater Reece a reluctant but indispensable clap-out.

Final speaker for the affirmative side, Simon, attempted terrorist tactics; a frown terrible to behold and a waving right index finger. "Shut up," said Simon when driven to despair by undaunted interjectors.

Matter of degree

Last speaker Clark, dragging boots off table, addressed the meeting with "It's all a matter of degree," a remark several times drummed into the ears of the unfortunate audience.

He continued: "My purpose in going to the University (not this one) is to grasp Western Civilisation around the middle, hold her tight, and say 'you're mine.'" We appreciate Mr. Clark's obsession to be here one of us. It is to be hoped that the current rise in haircut prices does not deter him.

Valuable contributions from the sidelines by such talented hecklers as Frazer and Gleeson, must be mentioned. These worthy gentlemen kept the speakers in a constant state of agitation and the audience in spasmodic fits.

FRESHERS INTRODUCED TO UNIVERSITY SPORT

The Sports Evening held on March 1st in the Hall was arranged to introduce freshers to the various sporting clubs within the University, and to the people controlling those clubs. In general the speakers detailed past performances of their teams, and voiced high hopes for the future. There was, however, one notable exception. Bob Smith, supposedly talking with the aim of persuading freshers to play tennis, began with the words "Play Squash!"

Sports Council President Gwilym Davies began the evening with a few words about the Council and its activities; activities which have increased greatly with our joining the Australian Universities Sporting Association. It was explained how the meagre 10/- per student paid for sports fees is spent, namely by grants made to clubs in proportion to their size, activity, etc., etc.

Mr. Davies then introduced the various club speakers, the first of these being Peter Simpson for the Men's Hockey Club. Peter was honest and gave the facts—that no hockey team has ever looked like finishing better than quarter the way up the

competition ladder. However (and this phrase will become boring throughout this report), high hopes are held for the coming season. Also, Peter mentioned the annual SCAD carnival in Sydney. Wisely, perhaps, he left out details of the "social" goings-on associated with the competition. If a strong enough team can be obtained, it will be sent to IntersVarsity in Hobart.

Amidst a thunderous roar of applause from certain uncouth males in the audience, Joan Morgan took guard for the Women's Hockey Club. Her club did make a grand final and a semi-final last year. Joan last year was the leading light in beginning an annual carnival between Canberra, Armidale, Sydney and Newcastle U.C. She also has her eyes on IntersVarsity in Brisbane this year.

Welcomed by a great ovation from the many rugby supporters, "Titch" Archer announced that Rugby Union was the strongest sport in the A.N.U. This cannot be denied if the club's enviable record during 1960 is looked at. Judging from support already shown this year, 1961 would seem to hold even more promise. Plans are already well advanced for IntersVarsity in May.

Max Lawrence told of skiing, or at least of the two very successful trips held last year. During 1961, many more trips are envisaged, both for single days and for weekends if it can be arranged. IntersVarsity has been tentatively mentioned with Mt. Hotham the venue.

Two hard luck stories

So on to the two best hard luck stories of the year. I refer to the Men's Basketball as sobbed about by Dave Leslie, and Tennis as decried by Bob Smith.

Both, however, were justified. Our Yank basketballers did get homesick, and our tennis clubhouse was burnt down and the roller purloined by persons unknown. It seems that Basketball will revive if present enthusiasm amongst freshers is sustained.

Tennis? Bob said to play squash! Nevertheless, arrangements are being made to hire either the Y.W.C.A. or High School courts if there is sufficient interest. Permanent bookings could be made.

Badminton was not represented, and George Sarossy is hereby censured for his non-appearance. We are not sure whether this club is still in existence.

Several embryo clubs were mentioned. Dave Funnell hopes to form a Soccer Club, Ian Lambert and "Watchit" Roberts are keen on Aussie Rules, and Mal Harrison and Jack Maurer appear to be in need of weightlifting.

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HOCKEY CLUB A.G.N.

The Annual General Meeting of the Women's Hockey Club was held on Tuesday, March 16.

Due to a debate which was held concurrently at the Hall of Residence, and a rumour spread by person or persons as yet unknown that the meeting was for last year's members only, the attendance was rather poor.

The usual President's and Treasurer's Reports were heard, the latter almost causing a riot because the Treasurer felt that the Club had been embezzling her funds.

Then the elections for 1961 were held. The new executive is: President, Jane Woodrow; Secretary, Kathy Worthington; Treasurer, Janet Morphett; Vice-president, Anda Velins; Committee Members, Elaine Cousins and Billie Ryan.

As the season begins early in April, it was decided that practices should be arranged immediately. The time arranged is Sundays, at 3.0 a.m., at Turner, the first practice to be held the Sunday after the meeting.

With quite a few players leaving the Club for many and varied reasons, new players will be more than welcome, as the Club has decided to continue to enter two teams in the local competition.

A decision was made to place more emphasis on attending practices than has been the case in past years. Then the "old" executive bowed out, leaving their successors to close the meeting.

FOOLISH BUT FUN

Rehearsals for this year's Revue will commence on Tuesday 21st. You should be there because nine out of ten idiots go in the Revue. The tenth looks on. He is the bigger fool.

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For a few there are important positions. The titles of these will be released in camera by JOHN CUMMINGS and other of like ilk that's an anagram. See you when the curtain rises.

S.C.R. HOLDS MEETING

The Editor had the misfortune to attend the second meeting of the S.R.C. on 7th March.

All members were in attendance, although Mr. Pat Flynn did not arrive until the conclusion of business. The President, Mr. Ryan, made his apologies.

It was with regret that the Editor noted that the meeting was characterised by verbosity, inefficiency, and lack of discipline. Some business was, however, conducted although a great amount of constructive criticism was lost in the furor.

Certain items of business are of general interest. A motion was put that the A.G.M. be held on 2nd May and seconded by Mr. McKerras. It was carried by a unanimous vote. As the elections for a new S.R.C. must be conducted not closer than five days to the A.G.M., the tentative date for this year's elections are the 18th, 19th and 20th of April.

The adoption of new printers, the Canberra Press Pty. Ltd., for Woroni was also carried unanimously. A contract is to be entered into.

A long time ago

These two items concluded, the meeting degenerated into a series of veiled imputations about Mr. Treasurer Newman's conduct of accounts. It appears that the last statement of finances was made "a long time ago" according to the Chairman Mr. Ryan. Mr. Newman then said "it was before that." It further appears that the losses of the Recovery Ball and Orientation Week Dance totalled £122, not to mention £92.18.4 spent on Orientation Week. Much of this money, it was discovered, was unaccounted for. The hapless Mr. Newman was to shoulder the blame.

To the Editor it seems that not only the finances were in a mess. The voting was only lipservice to constitutional methods, for, upon a vote for a committee of two to investigate the accounting, two no's and two aye's were heard. The Chairman declared the motion carried. An uproar resulted and a revote was taken, resulting in "carried practically unanimously" per Peter Ryan.

It seems that this peculiarity in voting practice could be remedied by a less vociferous and more orderly meeting.

Further gems of information were then heard, such as "there is no agenda." A move that order be re-

established was countered by "I move that you re-establish it yourself."

Thereafter, with the exception of one constructive suggestion about ensuring the longevity of the radio-gram by Mr. Davies, the rest of the meeting was a farce. If Mr. Gleeson was not drunk, he must surely be in the last stages of insanity. Mr. Brewster was

entertaining himself with beetles until one made a flanking attack up his sleeve, and to round it off Mr. Roberts asked what day it was.

Tributes must be paid, however, to Messrs. Fraser, McKerras, Davies and Maurer for their sober conduct, which befits a meeting of such an august body as the S.R.C.

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Students' Common Room

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FIRST TERM VACATION	MAY 22-25
Athletics—Hobart	
Badminton—Melbourne	
Basketball—Hobart	
Golf—Melbourne	
Judo—Sydney	
Rifle—Adelaide	
Rugby Union—Perth	
Soccer—New England	
Table Tennis—Melbourne	
Tennis—Brisbane	
Women's Badminton—Melbourne	
Women's Golf—Brisbane	
Women's Judo—Sydney	
MAY 27th	
Rowing—Brisbane	
SECOND TERM VACATION	AUGUST 14-18
Basketball—Brisbane	
Fencing—Brisbane	
Squash—Adelaide	
Women's Squash—Adelaide	
AUGUST 21-25	
Boxing—Sydney	
Hockey—Hobart	
Volleyball—Melbourne	
Weightlifting—Brisbane	
Women's Basketball—Brisbane	
Women's Hockey—Brisbane	